

**William Fairfax to George Washington, March 22, 1757,  
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**FROM WILLIAM FAIRFAX, ESQ.**

WMS. BURG 22d. March 1757.

DEAR SR.

I recd. your Favor from Philadelphia dated the 2d. inst. since which finding the Governor likely to stay there longer than at first expected and many Matters of Government requisite which could not be done without Me I set off from Belvoir and arriv'd here the 17th. The next Day I was duly qualified in Council as President & Commander in Chief, which has given Me an Opportunity of seeing and treating with Numbers of the Cherokees & Catawba Indians, discoursing with Major A. Lewis & Lieut. Williams on their Affairs. I hope They Will Soon be under your Command as They appear to be of a Warlike Temper and Disposition, fit & willing to encounter any difficult Attack. I shall be very glad to know your Success with L. Loudoun and his Comands to You in the ensuing Campaign—Tho You may hear of the Genl. Assembly's being prorogued to the last Thursday in next Month, yet as Several Things as well for your Regiment as the public Weal of the Colony are wanted to be examin'd, settled and adjusted, We expect the Governor will soon after his Arrivel call & appoint a much earlier Meeting—when We shall be glad to See You and give Testimony of our hearty Affection.

As the Cherokees and Catawba Indians appear to Us well attacht to our Interest We are desirous of preserving Them, therefore endeavor to please & satisfy them. We have

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furnished them wth what could be got here: what is yet wanted and you can procure  
Please to accommodate them and Send or bring the Accots. thereof —

Pray remember Me kindly to yr. Officers and the brave Men of Yr. Regiment, and continue  
to believe that I am with all affect Regards

Dr. Sir Yr. assur'd, & loving Friend W. FAIRFAX P. S. I referr to Majr. Lewis for pticulars ---